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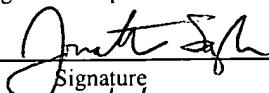
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Case No. 659/766

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Gary L. Shanklin

Serial No: 09/753,134

Examiner: Lynda Salvatore

Filed: December 29, 2000

Group Art Unit: 1771

For: Antimicrobial Absorbent Article,
and Methods of Making and Using
the Same

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR § 1.136(a))

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is a petition for an extension of the time to respond to the Office Action dated October 4, 2002 for a period of 2 month(s).



Applicant:

claims small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. §1.27.

is other than small entity

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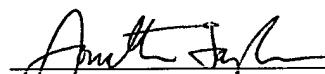
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<input type="checkbox"/>	One Month	\$110.00
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Four Months	\$1,450.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Five Months	\$1,970.00

Fee Payment

- Attached is a check for \$410 for the Petition fee.
- Attached is a credit card authorization form for \$_____ for the Petition fee.
- Charge Petition fee to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this Petition is attached.
- Charge any additional fee required or credit for any excess fee paid to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this Petition is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: 3/3/03


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